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THE JEANNETTE VICTIMS.
New York Feb. 22.—This morning the remains of De Long and comrades were taken from the Brooklyn navy yard by the tug Nissa to the Battery, where the bodies were placed in hearses and a procession formed. The procession consisted of officers and a battalion of marines, hearses survivors of the expedition of regulars, troops, carriages containing invited guests, and various civic societies. Among the prominent people in the carriages were Senator Warner Miller, chiefs of the national bureau, Maj. Gen. Hancock the Secretary of War Lincoln, the Russian minister and consul general, Postmaster General Gresham, Secretary Chandler and Commodore Upshur, of the navy, and Mayors Edson and Low. The procession then went up Broadway and across the Brooklyn bridge to the navy yard, where the bodies lay in state to-day. The day was observed by suspension of business flying of flags in the harbor and city at half mast. The body of Collins was later taken to the armory of the Sixty-ninth reg-

iment, this city. To-morrow morning there will be a requiem mass in the cathedral, after which the body will be placed on board the steamship City of Chicago and taken to Ireland. The other will be taken to the church of the Holy Trinity, this city, to-morrow, where services will be held. This is the church Mrs. De Long attends. After the ceremonies the body of Dr. Ambler will be sent to Alexandria, Pa. that of Seaman Boyd to Philadelphia, and those of Lieutenant Commander De Long and others to Woodlawn cemetery.

WASHINGTON LETTER.
The principal theme of discussion in the House of Representatives during the week has been the Mississippi contested election case of Chalmers vs Manning. Several days have been fruitlessly spent in wrangling over the question, and several dozen Congressmen have participated in the debate, in which there has been a mingling of amusement and laughter, partisan yemom, farcical incident and serious reasoning. As on every opportune occasion Mr. Belford made some characteristic remarks. He said he had noticed that political contests for seats on the floor of this chamber are settled on purely partisan considerations. That the number of unblushing outrages committed by the Republican party had only been equalled by those committed by the Democratic party; causing laughter on both sides of the aisle alternately. He claimed to speak in the interest of political morality and decency, and challenged contradiction to the fact, that on two occasions the Democratic party, by brute force and political power, seated Gen. Chalmers in this House when he was not elected to a seat here, and now they refused to seat him when he has been elected. In support of his position Mr. Belford sent to the clerks desk to be read an editorial from a leading Democratic paper of Mississippi Mr. Pettibone of Miss., asked the name of the paper. The Colorado member replied that it was an orthodox party paper. Mr. Singleton then asked that its name be given, and Mr. Belford said it was the New Mississippian. As big as a thumb paper rejoined Mr. Singleton. As big as your party's conscience retorted Mr. Belford, who next alluded to his own case when he came to the forty fourth Congress with a certificate for a seat, which no one contested, no one objected to, but the political wet nurse of Illinois Mr. Springer. That certificate was referred to a committee and for two months of that short session the speaker said he was compelled to peel his shins in the corridors of the Capitol, while the partisan zealot himself was feeding on Congressional cabbage. Speaking of Manning declaring to file his certificate until some action in the matter had been taken by the House, Mr. Ray did not think that body ought to engage a band of music and send it out at the head of a select or standing committee to escort some gentleman into this hall, who was supposed to have credentials for a seat but declined to present them; for fear some Congressional district might go unrepresented for a few weeks on this floor. Mr. Robertson a young member from Kentucky on raising to speak, said it was the first opportunity he had ever had of presenting his views upon any great question before the American people. He thought to deny Mr. Manning a seat under the circumstances would be enough to make modest sympathy weep, stern judgement startled and reason turn a bashed. Amid laughter and applause he closed by quoting the language of Mr. Blackburn saying that Mr. Mannings credentials were as pure, as unsoiled, as regular, as though borne by an angel's hand from heaven with the seal of Jehovah himself. During the debate a farce was enacted in a dramatic attempt to have Mr. Manning sworn in, Representative Curtin, assuming the chief role. Escorting his protege to the clerks desk he said "I present to this House, to be sworn in, the member from the second Mississippi district, having in his hand a certificate from the Governor of that state. This declaration struck the House dumb with astonishment, but in a moment a murmur of derisive laughter was heard from the Republican side. In another instance the tumult subsided with the sound of the Speaker's voice saying "The question whether or not Mr. Manning is entitled to take his seat is the

very one this body is now considering and is about to vote upon, the chair cannot administer the oath of a person claiming to be a member elect when the House is itself considering his right to a seat. This was greeted with applause from all directions, the Republicans giving vent to a variety of noises in which yells predominated. Ring down the Curtin, shouted Mr. Belford—the play is over. Speaking of Blackburn, the recently elected Senator from Kentucky, the State lost a great opportunity when she sent him to the Upper House instead of Carlisle. Blackburn is a greatly over rated man, and through his aggressiveness has probably attained more reputation on little capital than any man in Congress. He brings himself to the front by pushing the attack and forcing the fight, while he makes the most of a manly presence and fine voice. He is also genial and gushing; but his vocabulary is faulty, he is illogical, without originality, and is as noisy as other empty wind instruments, in short he is another Democratic blunder.

WHY IT PAYS TO READ
One's physical frame—his body, his muscles, his feet, his hands—is only living machinery. It's the mind controlling and directing that machine, that gives it power and efficacy. The successful use of body depends wholly upon the mind—upon its ability to direct the will. If one ties his arm in a sling it becomes weak and finally powerless. Keep it in active exercise in thinking, reasoning, planning, studying, observing, acquiring, strength, power of concentration, and direction.

Plainly, then, the man who exercises his mind in reading and thinking, gives it increased power and efficiency, and greater ability to direct the efforts of his physical frame—his work—to better results than he can who merely or mainly uses his muscles. If a man reads a book or paper, even one he knows to be erroneous, it helps him by the effort to combat the errors. Of all man, the farmers, the cultivator, need to read more, to strengthen his reasoning powers, so that they may help out and make more effective, more profitable, his hard toil. There can be no doubt that the farmer who supplies himself with the most reading—the most of other men's thoughts and experience—will in the end, if not at once, be the most successful.

FABER'S FRIGHTFUL RIDE.
St. Paul, Feb. 23.—As the St. Paul and Duluth train from Stillwater, due here at 9 o'clock this morning, was coming down the grade by the bridge at west St. Paul, the driver noticed a pedestrian on the track about fifty yards in front of the engine. The engineer Mr. Jas Root immediately put on the brakes and blew the whistle but the man did not hear it before he was carried, no person knew whither. The train was running at the rate of 25 miles per hour, but was brought to a standstill as soon as possible and a search for the run-over commenced at the rear end where it was supposed he would be found. The engineer thought he had been laboring under a delusion, but until he went to the front of the engine and found his man holding to the pilot. He was not hurt at all, not even a bruise marred his whole physical structure, but when questioned he could not answer for laughing at his ridiculous but perilous position. His name is W. Faber.

CONDENSATIONS.

Mrs. John Jacob Astor is getting well.
Blue birds have appeared in New York.
The Montreal carnival was \$175 behind.
Butte is to put telephones in her mines.
The City of Mexico has sixty-two papers.
Te Hudson is clear of ice up to Peakskill.
Teemer will row Hamm five miles in May.
Brooklyn police on duty are forbidden tobacco.
Blind John Freeman suicided at Vincennes, Ind.
Northern visitors at Aiken, N. C. are playing polo.
The Connecticut broke up at Hartford this week.
Peach buds are frozen all through Northern Texas.
Mississippi has gone into the free school book scheme.

Leigh Smith goes on another Arctic trip next summer.

San Francisco Chinamen gave \$3,200 to flood sufferers.

The Georgia Republican state convention will meet April 9.

Garfields old neighbors in Mentor are all Blaine men.

The remains of Gen. Ord left Havana yesterday for New York.

Bids for \$800,000 New York city bonds last week were \$103.

The National steamer lost 114 cattle going to London this month.

Ocean steamers report great numbers of icebergs running south.

Steamboat excursions on the Sacramento river are common this winter.

A Toronto court holds bean-guessing to be a game of skill, not chance.

Boston dog owners have formed a protective association against thieves.

Fong Ah Chuck, a Chinese athlete of Portland, Or., is training to meet Sullivan.

Three New York hotels last week bought entire outfits of furniture in Michigan.

The Great Eastern will be used as a floating restaurant at the Antheur exposition.

Mrs. Rricker has been made court commissioner at Washington and can grant divorces.

A Fulton street restaurant keeps a parrot taught to scream; "Don't tip the waiters."

Mrs. Jones at Willimantic, Conn. is eighty four, but she caught the measles last week.

John O'Sullivan a St. Louis lumber merchant assigned, Assets, \$30,000; liabilities not known.

Margaret Wagner got a \$10,000 verdict at Chattanooga against Mr. Courier, who jilted her.

Mrs. Brown of Austin, Texas, left \$100,000 to her husband. Three children sue him to break the will.

International mail service has stopped at New Laredo, because Mexico objects to paying all the expenses.

At Crawfordsville, Ind. Jeff Smith's leg muscles contracted in a spasm so as to break his thigh bone.

Joe Keppler of Puck has a double in New York who got several thousand dollars credit on the strength of an alleged relationship.

Pedro Montaloo, professor of Spanish at the Annapolis Naval academy, was found dead yesterday morning in grounds of the academy.

Sister Angles, of St. Francis' convent at Dubuque, died yesterday of consumption. She was one of the original founders of the order in this country.

At a meeting in Toronto of the Ontario Provincial grange reduction of the duty on agricultural implements to 10 per cent and valorem was recommended.

A call has been issued for a national convention of the wool growers of the United States, to meet at Chicago the 7th of May next, in the general interest of that industry.

The citizens of Devil's Lake voted yesterday on the question of incorporation as a village. This was the third election held for that purpose. Incorporation was carried by eighty-nine votes.

Official correspondence made public at Ottawa shows that the two Canadian, Watson and Switzer, who deserted from the United States army, were released by the American authorities at the request of Minister West.

The wire bridge spanning the Kiskiminetas river at Apollo, Pa. parted Wednesday. William Henderson and Harry Yonkins were crossing with a load of sheet iron at the time, and were thrown into the river. Henderson escaped with a cold bath, but Yonkins and the two horses were drowned.

The union club (colored) of Alleghany county, Pa., have appointed a committee to make arrangements for a convention of colored men of the North and the District of Columbia, which will be held in Pittsburgh, Pa., April 29, to discuss the rights and wrongs of the colored people of the south.

Thirty back boys at a cotton factory in Blackstone, Mass., struck on account of a reduction of wages from 45 to 38 cents a day. Their action caused the shutting down of the whole machinery, throwing 500 operatives out of employment.

STATE NEWS.

Hastings sent four more convicts to Stillwater last week.

The old settlers of Lake Pepin valley are under organization.

Upwards \$200 were paid last year in Blue Earth county for wolf scalps.

John Madden is under \$500 bonds at Pine city on a charge of bastardy.

The Yankton Daily Press and Dakotian has entered upon its twenty-fourth year.

Austin has just purchased a new Rumsey fire engine and apparatus complete.

The Browndale elevator, recently destroyed by fire, will be rebuilt in the spring.

Mankato real estate is said to be changing hands rapidly, in anticipation of a spring boom.

Austin will have a post of the G. A. R. March 1st. seventy-five veterans are already enrolled.

Torkel Aageson of Black Hammer, was killed by his horse jumping off a bridge and crushing him.

Mrs. Kellogg of Janesville, who broke her arm by a fall in the street, will sue the city for \$7,000.

The stockholders of the Stillwater Base Ball club have increased the capital stock to \$15,000.

The old settlers of Kasota township held their second annual meeting in Kasota Friday night.

A cattle shed 300 feet long fell at Le Roy Sunday, killing several cows and injuring a number of others.

George Bacon, a citizen of Cannon Falls, fell dead on the sidewalk recently while on his way home.

Frank Cilley of Olmstead county while trying to board a train at Somerset fell under the wheels and lost a leg.

Michal Scanland, a brakeman on the Hastings & Dakota road, was run over and killed by a train near Vermillion station.

While beastly drunk, on Monday, Peter Anderson, a resident of Livonia, Sherburne county, stumbled off the sidewalk and broke his leg.

Ferdinand Stege, a farmer living near Sleepy Eye, died last Saturday while going home in his sleigh with a neighbor. He leaves a wife and three children.

The Fifth District Prohibition convention, held at Fergus Falls on Friday, was not a success in point of attendance. The same usual resolutions were adopted.

James Billings will begin the publication of the "Northern Spy," at Shell City, Wadena county, in a few days. The paper will be an eight-column folio with a mission.

A young girl employed at the Globe hotel, Rush City, gave birth to an illegitimate child, which she attempted to strangle, but the babe was found and is doing well.

The second newspaper at Farmington is in travil, to called the Dakota County Tribune. C. P. Carpenter, a young man of newspaper ability and training, will be editor and proprietor.

Mrs. Lathrop, wife of Rev. N. Lathrop died in Dundas Friday night, aged fifty-five years. She has lived in Minnesota since 1856. Mr. Lathrop is a well-known Methodist Episcopal clergyman of this state.

Ernest Bandemoe, near Detroit, who attempted to kill his wife by shooting her, was released from jail last week. He and his wife have again joined fortunes, and have left the scene of their trouble.

Frank Lombardy, a conductor on the Duluth & Iron Range road, left Duluth January 26, for Fergus Falls, since which nothing has been heard from him. His wife believes he has been murdered, as he had \$400 or \$500, and perhaps \$1,000, with him at the time of his disappearance.

Peter Peterson and Andrew Peterson were walking on the railroad track at Kokato Saturday when a train came along and killed Andrew whereupon Peter proceeded to Kakato and got very drunk and went back to where his friend was killed just in time to meet another train and his death.

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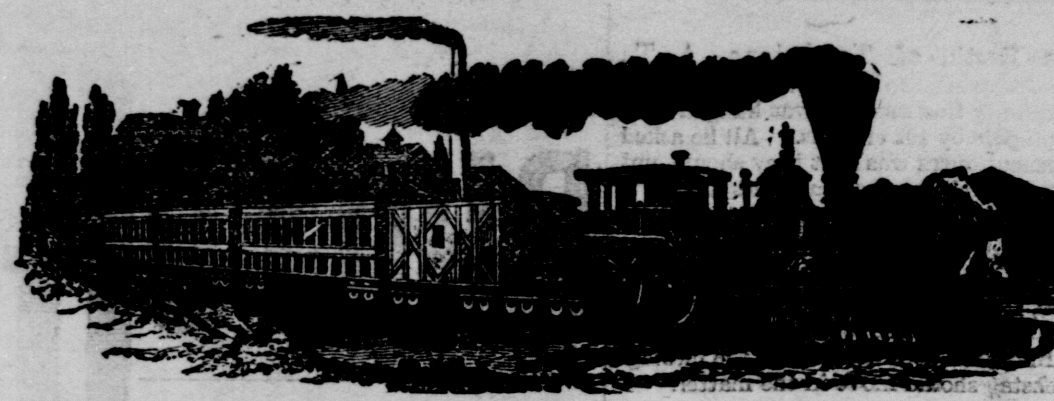
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

The principal theme of discussion in the House of Representatives during the week has been the Mississippi contested election case of Chalmers vs Manning. Several days have been fruitlessly spent in wrangling over the question, and several dozen Congressmen have participated in the debate, in which there has been a mingling of amusement and laughter, partisan venom, farcical incident and serious reasoning. As on every opportune occasion Mr. Belford made some characteristic remarks. He said he had noticed that political contests for seats on the floor of this chamber are settled on purely partisan considerations. That the number of unblushing outrages committed by the Republican party had only been equalled by those committed by the Democratic party; causing laughter on both sides of the aisle alternately. He claimed to speak in the interest of political morality and decency, and challenged contradiction to the fact, that on two occasions the Democratic party, by brute force and political power, seated Gen. Chalmers in this House when he was not elected to a seat here, and now they refused to seat him when he has been elected. In support of his position Mr. Belford sent to the clerks desk to be read an editorial from a leading Democratic paper of Mississippi Mr. Pettibone of Miss., asked the name of the paper. The Colorado member replied that it was an orthodox party paper. Mr. Singleton then asked that its name be given, and Mr. Belford said it was the New Mississippian. As big as a thumb paper rejoined Mr. Singleton. As big as your party's conscience retorted Mr. Belford, who next alluded to his own case when he came to the forty fourth Congress with a certificate for a seat, which no one contested, no one objected to, but the political wet nurse of Illinois Mr. Springer. That certificate was referred to a committee and for two months of that short session the speaker said he was compelled to cool his heels in the corridors of the Capitol, while the partisan zealot himself was feeding on Congressional cabbage. Speaking of Manning declining to file his certificate until some action in the matter had been taken by the House, Mr. Ray did not think that body ought to engage a band of music and send it out at the head of a select or standing committee to escort some gentleman into this hall, who was supposed to have credentials for a seat but declined to present them; for fear some Congressional district might go unrepresented for a few weeks on this floor. Mr. Robertson a young member from Kentucky on raising to speak, said it was the first opportunity he had ever had of presenting his views upon any great question before the American people. He thought to deny Mr. Manning a seat under the circumstances would be enough to make modest sympathy weep, stern judgement startled and reason turn a bashed. Amid laughter and applause he closed by quoting the language of Mr. Blackburn saying that Mr. Mannings credentials were as pure, as unsoiled, as regular, as though borne by an angel's hand from heaven with the seal of Jehovah himself. During the debate a farce was enacted in a dramatic attempt to have Mr. Manning sworn in, Representative Curtin, assuming the chief role. Escorting his protegee to the clerks desk he said "I present to this House, to be sworn in, the member from the second Mississippi district, having in his hand a certificate from the Governor of that state. This declaration struck the House dumb with astonishment, but in a moment a murmur of derisive laughter was heard from the Republican side. In another instance the tumult subsided with the sound of the Speaker's voice saying "The question whether or not Mr. Manning is entitled to take his seat is the

very one this body is now considering and is about to vote upon. The chair cannot administer the oath of a person claiming to be a member elect when the House is itself considering his right to a seat. This was greeted with applause from all directions, the Republicans giving vent to a variety of noises in which yells predominated. Ring down the Curtin, shouted Mr. Belford—the play is over. Speaking of Blackburn, the recently elected Senator from Kentucky, the State lost a great opportunity when she sent him to the Upper House instead of Carlisle. Blackburn is a greatly over rated man, and through his aggressiveness has probably attained more reputation on little capital than any man in Congress. He brings himself to the front by pushing the attack and forcing the fight, while he makes the most of a manly presence and fine voice. He is also genial and gushing; but his vocabulary is faulty, he is illogical, without originality, and is as noisy as other empty wind instruments, in short he is another Democratic blunder.

WHY IT PAYS TO READ

One's physical frame—his body, his muscles, his feet, his hands—is only living machinery. It is the mind controlling and directing that machine, that gives it power and efficacy. The successful use of body depends wholly upon the mind—upon its ability to direct the will. If one's arm in a sling it become weak and finally powerless. Keep it in active exercise in thinking, reasoning, planning, studying, observing, acquiring, vigor, strength, power of concentration, and direction.

Plainly, then, the man who exercises his mind in reading and thinking, gives it increased power and efficiency, and greater ability to direct the efforts of his physical frame—his work—to better results than he can who merely or mainly uses his muscles. If a man reads a book or paper, even one he knows to be erroneous, it helps him by the effort to combat the errors. Of all man, the farmers, the cultivator, need to read more, to strengthen his reasoning powers, so that they may help out and make more effective, more profitable, his hard toil. There can be no doubt that the farmer who supplies himself with the most reading—the most of other men's thoughts and experience—will in the end, if not at once, be the most successful.

FABER'S FRIGHTFUL RIDE.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 23.—As the St. Paul and Duluth train from Stillwater, due here at 9 o'clock this morning, was coming down the grade by the bridge at west St. Paul, the driver noticed a pedestrian on the track about fifty yards in front of the engine. The engineer Mr. Jas Root immediately put on the brakes and blew the whistle but the man did not hear it before he was carried, no person knew whither. The train was running at the rate of 25 miles per hour, but was brought to a standstill as soon as possible and a search for the run-over commenced at the rear end where it was supposed he would be found. The engineer thought he had been laboring under a delusion, but until he went to the front of the engine and found his man holding to the pilot. He was not hurt at all, not even a bruise marred his whole physical structure, but when questioned he could not answer for laughing at his ridiculous but perilous position. His name is W. Faber.

CONDENSATIONS.

Mrs. John Jacob Astor is getting well.
Blue birds have appeared in New York.
The Montreal carnival was \$175 behind.
Butte is to put telephones in her mines.
The City of Mexico has sixty-two papers.
Te Hudson is clear of ice up to Peakskill.
Teemer will row Hamm five miles in May.
Brooklyn police on duty are forbidden tobacco.
Blind John Freeman suicided at Vincennes, Ind.
Northern visitors at Aiken, N. C. are playing polo.
The Connecticut broke up at Hartford this week.
Peach buds are frozen all through Northern Texas.
Mississippi has gone into the free school book scheme.

Leigh Smith goes on another Arctic trip next summer.

San Francisco Chinamen gave \$3,200 to flood sufferers.

The Georgia Republican state convention will meet April 9. Garfield's old neighbors in Mentor are all Blaine men.

The remains of Gen. Ord left Havana yesterday for New York.

Bids for \$800,000 New York city bonds last week were \$103.

The National steamer lost 114 cattle going to London this month.

Ocean steamers report great numbers of icebergs running south.

Steamboat excursions on the Sacramento river are common this winter.

A Toronto court holds bean-guessing to be a game of skill, not chance.

Boston dog owners have formed a protective association against thieves.

Fong Ah Chuck, a Chinese athlete of Portland, Or., is training to meet Sullivan.

Three New York hotels last week bought entire outfits of furniture in Michigan.

The Great Eastern will be used as a floating restaurant at the Anthwerp exposition.

Mrs. Ricker has been made court commissioner at Washington and can grant divorces.

A Fulton street restaurant keeps a parrot taught to scream: "Don't tip the waiters."

Mrs. Jones at Willimantic, Conn. is eighty four, but she caught the measles last week.

John O'Sullivan a St. Louis lumber merchant assigned. Assets, \$30,000; liabilities not known.

Margaret Wagner got a \$10,000 verdict at Chattanooga against Mr. Courier, who jilted her.

Mrs. Brown of Austin, Texas, left \$100,000 to her husband. Three children sue him to break the will.

International mail service has stopped at New Laredo, because Mexico objects to paying all the expenses.

At Crawfordsville, Ind. Jeff Smith's leg muscles contracted in a spasm so as to break his thigh bone.

Joe Keppler of Puck has a double in New York who got several thousand dollars credit on the strength of an alleged relationship.

Pedro Montaloo, professor of Spanish at the Annapolis Naval academy, was found dead yesterday morning in grounds of the academy.

Sister Angles, of St. Francis' convent at Dubuque, died yesterday of consumption. She was one of the original founders of the order in this country.

At a meeting in Toronto of the Ontario Provincial grange reduction of the duty on agricultural implements to 10 per cent and valorem was recommended.

A call has been issued for a national convention of the wool growers of the United States, to meet at Chicago the 7th of May next, in the general interest of that industry.

The citizens of Devil's Lake voted yesterday on the question of incorporation as a village. This was the third election held for that purpose. Incorporation was carried by eighty-nine votes.

Official correspondence made public at Ottawa shows that the two Canadian, Watson and Switzer, who deserted from the United States army, were released by the American authorities at the request of Minister West.

The wire bridge spanning the Kiskiminetas river at Apollo, Pa. parted Wednesday. William Henderson and Harry Yonkins were crossing with a load of sheet iron at the time, and were thrown into the river. Henderson escaped with a cold bath, but Yonkins and the two horses were drowned.

The union club (colored) of Alleghany county, Pa., have appointed a committee to make arrangements for a convention of colored men of the North and the District of Columbia, which will be held in Pittsburgh, Pa., April 29, to discuss the rights and wrongs of the colored people of the south.

Thirty back boys at a cotton factory in Blackstone, Mass., struck on account of a reduction of wages from 45 to 38 cents a day. Their action caused the shutting down of the whole machinery, throwing 500 operatives out of employment.

STATE NEWS.

Hastings sent four more convicts to Stillwater last week.

The old settlers of Lake Pepin valley are under organization.

Upwards \$200 were paid last year in Blue Earth county for wolf scalps.

John Madden is under \$500 bonds at Pine city on a charge of bastardy.

The Yankton Daily Press and Dakotaian has entered upon its twenty-fourth year.

Austin has just purchased a new Rumsey fire engine and apparatus complete.

The Brownvale elevator, recently destroyed by fire, will be rebuilt in the spring.

Mankato real estate is said to be changing hands rapidly, in anticipation of a spring boom.

Austin will have a post of the G. A. R. March 1st. seventy-five veterans are already enrolled.

Torkel Agesson of Black Hammer, was killed by his horse jumping off a bridge and crushing him.

Mrs. Kellogg of Janesville, who broke her arm by a fall in the street, will sue the city for \$7,000.

The stockholders of the Stillwater Base Ball club have increased the capital stock to \$15,000.

The old settlers of Kasota township held their second annual meeting in Kasota Friday night.

A cattle shed 300 feet long fell at Le Roy Sunday, killing several cows and injuring a number of others.

George Bacon, a citizen of Cannon Falls, fell dead on the sidewalk recently while on his way home.

Frank Gilley of Olmstead county while trying to board a train at Somerset fell under the wheels and lost a leg.

Michal Scanland, a brakeman on the Hastings & Dakota road, was run over and killed by a train near Vermillion station.

While beastly drunk, on Monday, Peter Anderson, a resident of Livonia, Sherburne county, stumbled off the sidewalk and broke his leg.

Ferdinand Stege, a farmer living near Sleepy Eye, died last Saturday while going home in his sleigh with a neighbor. He leaves a wife and three children.

The Fifth District Prohibition convention, held at Fergus Falls on Friday, was not a success in point of attendance. The same usual resolutions were adopted.

James Billings will begin the publication of the "Northern Spy," at Shell City, Wadena county, in a few days. The paper will be an eight-column folio with a mission.

A young girl employed at the Globe hotel, Rush City, gave birth to an illegitimate child, which she attempted to strangle, but the babe was found and is doing well.

The second newspaper at Farmington is in travail, to called the Dakota County Tribune. C. P. Carpenter, a young man of newspaper ability and training, will be editor and proprietor.

Mrs. Lathrop, wife of Rev. N. Lathrop died in Dundas Friday night, aged fifty-five years. She has lived in Minnesota since 1856.

Mr. Lathrop is a well-known Methodist Episcopal clergyman of this state.

Ernest Bandemoe, near Detroit, who attempted to kill his wife by shooting her, was released from jail last week. He and his wife have again joined fortunes, and have left the scene of their trouble.

Frank Lombardy, a conductor on the Duluth & Iron Range road, left Duluth January 26, for Fergus Falls, since which nothing has been heard from him. His wife believes he has been murdered, as he had \$400 or \$500, and perhaps \$1,000, with him at the time of his disappearance.

Peter Peterson and Andrew Peterson were walking on the railroad track at Cokato Saturday when a train came along and killed Andrew whereupon Peter proceeded to Cakato and got very drunk and went back to where his friend was killed just in time to meet another train and his death.

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